MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE SPICES BOARD

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULI RAMAIAH): Madam, I move the following Mottion:—

"That in pursuance of clause (b) of sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Spices Board Act, 1986 (10 of 1986), read with sub-rule (1) of rule 5 of the Spices Board (Amendment) Rules, 1987, this House do proceed to elect in such manner as the Chairman may direct, one member from among the members of the House, to be a member of the Spices Board."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) Madam, I move the following Motion:—

"That the House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate seven members from Rajya Sabha to associate witl. the Committee on Public Accounts of the Lok Sabha for the term ending on the 30th April, 1997, and do proceed to elect in such manner as the Chairman may direct, seven members from among the members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND SCHEDULED TRIBES

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESHWARLU): Madam, I move the following Motions:—

"That this House resolves that the Rajya Sabha do join the Committee of both the House on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the term ending on the 30th April, 1997, and do proceed to elect, in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, ten members from among the Members of the House to serve on the said Committee."

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA (KARNATAKA): Madam, I want a clarification. This is coming today for election and tomorrow we are adjourning. That means in the whole intersession period, the Rajya Sabha cannot participate in the meetings of the Public Accounts Committee or the other Committees because our Members can't be elected until the end of August.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (PONDICHERRY): Let them notify it by tomorrow.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: It is coming so late, Madam, that this election is going to take place only after the recess period which means that any meeting held during the recess for $3\frac{1}{2}$ weeks, the Rajya Sabha won't be represented and we would be out of it.

SHRI SATISH AGARWAL (RAJASTHAN): Madam Deputy Cahirperson, there is a valid point in what my collcague, Mrs. Margaret Alva has said. It could have been brought earlier so that we could have associated ourselves with the Public Accounts Committee and other Committees. The only way is, if the hon. Chairman directs, the elections can take place tomorrow. ..*(Interruptions)*...